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ITEM NO: WH-3 DATE: 22 JUNE 1974

SUBJECT: IOANNIDES COMMENTS ON RECENT ARMS ACQUISITIONS FROM THE US

REF: [REDACTED]

GENERAL IOANNIDES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS ESPECIALLY PLEASED WITH CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN HIS COUNTRY'S FOREIGN RELATIONS AND ARMS ACQUISITION POLICIES. HE PRAISED SECRETARY KISSINGER'S STATEMENT ON US MILITARY SALES TO GREECE AND THE JUNE 19 AGREEMENT FOR US AIRCRAFT SALES, CHARACTERIZING THE AGREEMENT AS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF CLOSE BILATERAL COOPERATION ON MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS NATIONAL SECURITY MATTERS. ACCORDINGLY, HE HAS ORDERED APPROPRIATE GREEK AUTHORITIES TO PROCEED ON A BASIS ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH SIDES WITH NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING SUDA BAY AND MANY OTHER KEY AGREEMENTS DESIRED BY THE US.

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IOANNIDES STRESSED, HOWEVER, THAT HIS APPRECIATION FOR US ARMS SALES SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED TO MEAN THAT HE IS NOW WILLING TO STRIKE POLITICAL DEALS AIMED AT LIBERALIZING THE PRESENT GREEK GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT ON FAVORABLE TERMS.

IOANNIDES BELIEVES THE US COULD SUPPLY THE SIX C-130'S THAT ATHENS WISHES TO ACQUIRE AND THAT PERHAPS WASHINGTON IS DELAYING ON THE SUPPLY OF THESE AIRCRAFT FOR "UNKNOWN REASONS." IOANNIDES APPARENTLY SUSPECTS.

THAT FOUR C-130'S PREVIOUSLY HELD FOR DELIVERY TO LIBYA MAY STILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE US STOCKPILE. E-P IMPDET.

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